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American
Perennial Gardens

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SEEDS OF NATIVE PLANTS

Crop of 1956

25¢ per packet, except as noted. Prices on larger quantities quoted on request. All are post-paid. Residents of Michigan add 3 sales tax.

ACTAEA ALBA - WHITE BANE BERRY. Glossy white berries.

ACTAEA SPICATA ARGUTA. Leaves deeply cut. Fruit either red or white.

ACTINEA HERBACEA - LAKESIDE DAISY. Yellow. Early Spring.35

ACTINOMERIS ALTERNIFOLIA - WINGSTEM. 1 - 2 in. yellow flowers. Autumn.

AGASTACHE FOENICULUM - GIANT HYSSOP. Anise scented plant. Blue.

ALETRIS FARINOSA - COLIC-ROOT. White. Moist location.

ALLIUM CERNUUM - NODDING ONION. Lilac. July. 1 ft.

ALLIUM RECURVATUM - PAGOSA ONION. Pink. July. 20 in.

AMSONIA TABERNAEMONTA - BLUE STAR OF TEXAS. Soft blue.

ANDROSTEPHIUM COERULEUM - BABIES BREATH. 1 in. blue flowers. Spring.

AQUILEGIA CANADENSIS - AMERICAN COLUMBINE. Red and yellow.

AQUILEGIA CAERULEA - COLORADO COLUMBINE - Long spurred blue and white.35

AQUILEGIA FORMOSA - SITKA COLUMBINE - Brick red and yellow.

AQUILEGIA LONGISSIMA - PALE YELLOW. Very long spurred.50

AQUILEGIA SKINNERI - MEXICAN COLUMBINE. Greenish orange, red spurs.

ARGEMONE INTERMEDIA - PRICKLEY POPPY. 4 in. white blooms. All summer.

ARISAEMA TRIPHYLLUM - JACK - IN - THE - PULPIT. Moist shade.

ARNICA CORDIFOLIA. - A 2 FT. GOLDEN DAISY. Alpine.

ASARUM CANADENSE - WILD GINGER. Shady. ground cover.

ASCLEPIAS TUBEROSA - BUTTERFLY WEED. Orange. Summer

BAPTISIA AUSTRALIS - BLUE INDIGO. Terminal racemes of blue flowers. June. 6 ft.

- BAPTISIA TINCTORIA - YELLOW INDIGO. Bright yellow. 2 - 4 ft.
- CALLIRHOE INVOLUCRATA - WINE POPPY. Rose-purple, spring until frost. Beautiful trailer.
- CAMASSIA QUAMASH - BLUE CAMAS. Blue flowers on 2 ft. stalk.
- CAMPANULA ROTUNDIFOLIA - BLUE BELLS OF SCOTLAND. Pale blue.
- CASSIA MARILANDICA - WILD SENNA. Bright yellow. July-August.
- CASSIA NICTITANS - WILD SENSITIVE PLANT. 18 in. annual.
- CEANOTHUS AMERICANUS - NEW JERSEY TEA. 3 ft. shrub. White.
- CERASTINUM ALPINUM LANATUM - MOUSE-EAR CHICKWEED. White. Wolly rosette.35
- CHRYSOPTERIS VILLOSA - GOLDEN ASTER. Dry sandy location 12 in.
- CIMICIFUGA RACEMOSA - COHOSH BUGBANE. White. Summer. Moist shade.
- CLINTONIA BOREALIS - BLUEBEAD. Yellow. Shining blue fruit.
- CORNUS CANADENSIS - BUNCHBERRY. Choice groundcover. D. B.
- CORNUS NUTTALLII - WESTERN DOGWOOD. An 80 ft. beauty.
- CORYDALIS AUREA - GOLDEN YELLOW. 6 in. annual.
- CORYDALIS SEMPERVIRENS - PINK CORYDALIS. Very showy. Bien.
- DICENTRA CHRYSANTHA - GOLDEN EARDROPS. Blue green foliage. Golden flowers.
- DICENTRA FORMOSA - BLEEDINGHEART. Rose colored flowers. April-September.
- DISPORUM SMITHII - FAIRY-BELLS. White. Orange berries.
- ECHINACEA PURPUREA - PURPLE CONEFLOWER. Rich soil.
- ERYNGIUM LEAVENWORTHII - ERYNGO. Purple-violet flowerheads and bracts Most unusual. 3 ft.
- ERYTHROSIMUM ASPERUM - WALLFLOWER. Bien.or per. Yellow-orange flowers.
- ERYTHRONIUM MESACHOREUM. Lavender flowers. Green leaves.
- ERYTHRONIUM OREGONUM. Cream colored. Mottled leaves.
- EUONYMUS AMERICANUS - STRAWBERRY-BUSH. Attractive 8 ft. shrub.

- EUONYMUS OBOVATUS. A good understory shrub for moist spot. 1 ft.
- EUPATORIUM PURPUREM - JOE-PYE WEED. Dull pink. 4 - 8 ft.
- FRANKLINIA ALATAMAHA - Our rarest tree. 3 in. white flowers in September-October. Scarlet leaves in fall. 20 ft. 8 seeds .25 20 seeds .50
- FRITILLARIA LANCOLATA - MISSION BELLS. Mahogany brown, mottled greenish yellow. 1 - 3 ft.
- GAULTHERIA SHALLON - SALAL. Evergreen shrub. Blue-black fruit. Tender in north.
- GAILLARDIA ARISTATA - BLANKET FLOWER. All summer.
- GENTIANA ANDREWSII - CLOSED GENTIAN. Blue flowers in September - October.
- GENTIANA ANDREWSII ALBA - Pure white. Very rare.35
- GENTIANA CRINATA - FRINGED GENTIAN - Definitely one of our finest flowers. Blue. Bien. .50
- GYMNOCLADUS DIOICA - KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE. 100 ft. ornamental. 12 seeds25
25 seeds .50
- HELENIUM AUTUMNAL - SNEESEWEED. 1 1/2 - 2 in. yellow flowers in fall.
- HEUCHERA AMERICANA - ALUM ROOT. Semi-evergreen mottled leaves.
- HEUCHERA GLABRA - Airy white blooms on 2 ft. panicles.
- HIBISCUS MOSCHEUTOS - ROSEMALLOW. Large light rose. 3 - 8 ft.
- HIBISCUS PALUSTRIS ALBUS. From selected plants with waxy white flowers.35
- HIBISCUS PALUSTRIS. Seed from selected plants with waxy white flowers, crimson center. . .35
- HOUSTONIA COERULEA - BLUET. Blue with yellow eye. 4 - 5 in.
- IRIS TENAX - Shades of blue, orchid-lavender to purple, nicely veined. 6 - 12 in. Very desirable.
- IRIS VERSICOLOR - BLUE FLAG. Moist or garden conditions.
- LIATRIS GRAMINIFOLIA - GRASS LEAVED GAY-FEATHER. Purple 1 1/2 - 3 ft.
- LIATRIS LIGULISTYLIS - Smoky purple spikes in July. 1 - 1 1/2 ft.
- LIATRIS PYCNOSTACHYA - PRAIRIE GAYFEATHER. Purple. Late summer. 5 ft.
- LIATRIS SCARIOSEA - BUTTON GAYFEATHER. Rose Purple. August. 3 - 5 ft.

LIATRIS SPICATA - SPIKE GAYFEATHER. Rose purple. July-September. 5 - 6 ft.

All Liatris Unrubbed

LILIUM CANADENSIS - MEADOW LILY. Reddish yellow. Early summer.

LINUM LEWISII - PRAIRIE FLAX. Sky-blue. June-July. 2 ft.

LOBELIA CARDINALIS - CARDINAL FLOWER. Bright red. July - October. 3 - 5 ft.

MITELLA CAULESCENS. Choice ground cover in moist shade.

OENTHERA MISSOURENSIS - MISSOURI PRIMROSE. 4 in. yellow flowers. June-August.

OPUNTIA HUMIFUSA - PRICKLEY PEAR. Spiny. thickened leaves. Yellow flowers in July.

PAEONIA BROWNII - Brownish red flowers in spring. 1 ft.

PARNASSIA GLAUCA - GRASS-OF-PARNASSUS. White flowers in fall. 2 ft.

PASSIFLORA INCARNATA - PASSION FLOWER. 20 - 30 ft. vine, not hardy in north. Mulch root for winter.

PENSTEMON COBAEA - Reddish purple to white. May - June. Showy. 2 ft.

PENSTEMON COBAEA, var. Ozark. Large deep royal purple. 2 ft.35

PENSTEMON GRANDIFLORUS. 2 in. long flowers. White to blue lavender.

PENSTEMON OVATUS. Pink hinting, pale lavender. 3 - 4 ft.

PODOPHYLLUM PELTATUM - MAYAPPLE. Fragrant white flower. Yellow edible fruit.

POLYGONATUM COMMUTATUM - LARGE SOLO MON SEAL. 3 - 5 ft.

RIBIES SANGUINEUM. Red flowering, black fruited shrub. 10 ft.

ROMNEYA COULTERI - MATILIJIA POPPY. Large white poppy-like flowers on 5 ft. bushes. Protect in north.

RUDBECKIA HIRTA - BLACK-EYED SUSAN. Yellow, brown-centered flowers in Summer 1 - 2 ft.

RUDBECKIA LACINIATA - TALL CONEFLOWER. 2 1/2 - 4 in. yellow flower with central cone-like disk. 2 - 7 ft.

SANGUINARIA CANADENSIS - BLOODROOT. Pure white flowers. April - May. 6 - 12 in.

SAXIFRAGE CAESPITOSA - A TUFTED SAXIFRAGE. White. June - August35

SEDUM OREGANUM. Yellow flowers on erect stems.
 3 - 6 in.35
 SEDUM SPATHULIFOLIUM. Good foliage. Flowers
 golden yellow. Good35
 SILPHIUM PERFOLIATUM - CUP PLANT. Yellow.
 6 ft. July - September
 SPIRAEA TOMENTOSA - HARDHACK. Pink. July -
 September. 4 ft. shrub.
 STOKESIA LAEVIS - STOKES ASTER. 3 - 4 in.
 blue or white flowers. July - August 1 - 2 ft.
 STOKESIA LAEVIS ALBA - Seed from white form.
 STREPTOPUS AMPLEXIFOLIUS - TWISTED STALK.
 Attractive Red Fruit.
 SYNTHYRIS ROTUNDIFOLIA. - SPRING QUEEN. 3
 - 4 in. spikes hung with blue lilies of the valley.
 THALICTRUM POLYGANUM - TALL MEADOWRUE.
 Fine foliage. 4 - 8 ft.
 THERMOPSIS CAROLINIANA - AARONSROD. Yellow
 flowers in terminal racemes. May - June. 3 -
 5 ft.
 TOLMIEA MENZIESII - YOUTH-ON-AGE. A good
 house plant or choice ground cover in shade.35
 TRILLIUM OVATUM - The Pacific Coast represen-
 tative of Trillium grandiflorum.
 VANCOUVERIA HEXANDRA. Ground cover in shade.
 VERBENA BIPENNATIFIDA. Lilac. Spring until
 fall. 1st year from seed.
 VERBENA CANADENSIS. Pink. Spring until fall.
 1st year from seed.
 VERONIA NOVEBORACENSIS - IRONWEED. Purple.
 July - September 3 - 6 ft.
 VIBURNUM AMERICANUM - HIGH-BUSH CRAN-
 BERRY. Attractive in flower, fruit, and foliage.
 Shrub. 6 - 12 ft.
 VIOLA LANCEOLATA - LANCE-LEAVED VIOLET.
 VIOLA PALMATA - PALMATE VIOLET. Large
 violet purple.
 VIOLA PRICEANA - CONFEDERATE VIOLET. Blue
 and grey.
 VIOLA RAFINESQUE - FIELD PANSY. Naturalized.
 Lavender tinted.
 YUCCA FILAMENTOSA - COMMON YUCCA. Ever-
 green. White 3 - 6 ft.

SEEDS OF CULTIVATED PLANTS

ALYSSUM IDAEUM. (Doesn't check with Bailey, but
 very worth while.) 3 - 4 in. Pale yellow, early
 spring.35

- ANARRHINIUM CRASSIFOLIUM. Myriads of tiny pale blue flowers on three foot stems.
- AQUILEGIA FLABELLATA. Dwarf white, blue green foliage.
- AQUILEGIA VULGARIS ERECTA - EDELWEISS
Dwarf, compact snow white.
- BELAMCANDA CHINENSIS. Orange, spotted red.
- BUPHTHALMUM SALICIFOLIUM - OX-EYE. 2 in. yellow flowers, solitary and terminal. 2 ft.
- CENTAUREA MACROCEPHALA. Showy golden yellow. July - August.
- CHRYSANTHEMUM MAXIMUM. - MAY QUEEN. A fine early large daisy.
- CIMICIFUGA SIMPLEX. Pure white flowers in dense raceme. October. Rare. 3 ft.35
- CLEMATIS MANDSCHURICA. Fragrant white flowers in July. 3 ft.
- DIANTHUS ARENARIUS. Fringed, fragrant white flowers. 6 in.
- DIANTHUS DELTOIDES. Mat forming. Red with crimson eye.
- DIANTHUS GELIDUS. Dwarf, fringed, fragrant. Pink.
- DIANTHUS MYRTINERVIS. Pink flowers on thyme like mat.
- DIANTHUS NEGLECTUS COMPACTA GLAUCA. Single pink fragrant flowers on pin cushion mound. 4 in.50
- DRABA CARINATHACA. Caespitose. 6 in. rosettes. White.
- EUPHORBIA MYRSINITES. Fleshy blue green leaves, trailing.
- MONARDA DIDYMA - Croftway Pink. Rose Pink..35
- PLATYCODON - Double Blue. 1 1/2 - 2 ft. . . .35
- PLATYCODON - Double White. 1 1/2 - 2 ft. . .35
- PLATYCODON - Double White, Betty Lou. A choice selection. Taller, sturdier, with waxy white flowers.50
- PLATYCODON - Shell pink. Light pink with darker veinings. 2 ft.35
- POTENTILLIA WARRENSII. Golden flowers all summer. 2 ft.
- SALVIA JURISICII. Ferny foliaged dwarf, lavender blue.
- SEDUM SPECTABILE, BRILLIANT. Grey green clumpy plant
- TUNICA SAXIFRAGA ALBA. Cut foliage studded with white flowers. All summer

TUNICA SAXIFRAGA. Rose. As above, except for color.

We wish to contact persons who collect, or could collect seed of native wild flowers or other rare flowers. Seed should be properly ripened and true to name

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To the former customers of Mr. David E. Burns, this is to announce our purchase of his seed business. We hope we may have the privilege of serving you.

PLANTING DIRECTIONS

Plant small quantities and fine seeds in flats or tin cans. We sterilize good rich soil and mix with equal volume of vermiculite (for good drainage; also, the ability of vermiculite to hold water), filling container to about 1 inch of the top. Balance of container is filled with finely milled, moistened sphagnum moss. For containers we prefer five quart cans obtained at gas stations, cut down to five inches. Holes are punches in bottom for drainage. Cover larger seeds with moss, but merely sprinkle fine seeds over the moss. For complete instructions see Leaflet No. 243, U.S.D.A. (obtained from Supt. of Documents, Washington, D.C. 5¢)

After planting, containers are set in frame outside for the benefit of the freezing and thawing so necessary to germination of many species. Should some fail to germinate the first season, hold over until the following spring.